

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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IN RE BANK OF AMERICA CORP.	:	Master File No.
SECURITIES, DERIVATIVE, AND	:	09 MD 2058 (PKC)
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**DECLARATION OF PROFESSOR GEOFFREY MILLER  
IN SUPPORT OF OBJECTION OF THE LABORERS NATIONAL PENSION FUND  
AND NANCY ROTHBAUM TO FINAL APPROVAL OF  
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF THE CONSOLIDATED DERIVATIVE ACTION**

I, GEOFFREY MILLER, being duly sworn, depose and say:

1. I have been engaged by Co-Lead Counsel<sup>1</sup> in the Delaware Action (defined below) to provide expert analysis and opinions concerning the negotiations and terms of the proposed settlement in the above-captioned Consolidated Derivative Action (“Proposed Settlement”). Under the terms of the Proposed Settlement, the “Released Claims” specifically include any and all claims relating to the allegations in the derivative action pending in the Delaware Court of Chancery, *In re Bank of America Corp. Stockholder Derivative Litigation*, C.A. No. 4307-CS (“Delaware Action”). (Stipulation ¶9). The Proposed Settlement provides a broad release to current and former BOA<sup>2</sup> officers, directors, advisors and affiliates in exchange for a \$20 million payment to BOA by insurance carriers and four non-monetary “governance reforms.” BOA has agreed,

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<sup>1</sup> “Co-Lead Counsel” means Horwitz, Horwitz & Paradis, Attorneys at Law; Chimicles & Tikellis LP and Wolf Haldenstein Adler Freeman & Herz LLP

<sup>2</sup> “BOA” means nominal Defendant Bank of America Corporation.

among other things, to implement the reforms and to pay the fees and expenses of the Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel.<sup>3</sup>

2. I have reviewed the Declaration of Michael A. Schwartz ("Schwartz Dec.") and the other documents cited herein.
3. I am being compensated at my hourly rate of seven hundred fifty (\$750) per hour for the work that I am performing in this litigation.

## **I. Qualifications and Background**

### **Qualifications**

4. A copy of my resume is attached as Appendix A. I am the Stuyvesant P. Comfort Professor of Law at the New York University Law School. I am a *magna cum laude* graduate of Princeton University and a 1978 graduate of the Columbia Law School where I was Editor-in-Chief of the Law Review. I served as a law clerk to the Honorable Carl McGowan of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit and to the Honorable Byron R. White, Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court. I was an attorney-adviser at the Office of Legal Counsel in the United States Department of Justice from 1980-1982. After practicing civil litigation with a Washington D.C. law firm, I joined the faculty of the University of Chicago Law School in 1983, where I served as Kirkland & Ellis Professor and Associate Dean. I moved to New York University in 1995.
5. I am a founder, board member and former co-president of the Society for Empirical Legal Studies, an organization of professors in the fields of law, economics, sociology, psychology, business, and political science whose work examines the

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<sup>3</sup> "Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel" means Saxena White P.A. and Kahn Swick & Foti, LLC

statistical and empirical bases of legal rules. I am a 2011 inductee into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and one of HeinOnline Law Journal Library's top-100 most cited authors all time.<sup>4</sup> A recent empirical study of scholarly influence lists me as one of the top 50 most relevant law professors in the United States.<sup>5</sup>

6. I have written extensively over the years on issues relating to attorneys' fees, particularly in class and derivative action cases. My articles with Professor Macey on class action litigation have been cited as authority by courts across the United States.<sup>6</sup> My empirical studies on class action cases, co-authored with Professor Theodore

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<sup>4</sup> See <http://www.heinonline.org/HOL/MostCitedAuthors?collection=journals>.

<sup>5</sup> John Yoo & James Cleith Phillips, The Cite Stuff: Inventing a Better Law Faculty Relevance Measure, UC Berkeley Public Law Research Paper No. 2140944 (September 3, 2012), available at [http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=2140944](http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2140944).

<sup>6</sup> *In re Processed Egg Products Antitrust Litigation*, 2012 WL 2885924 (E.D.Pa. 2012); *Louisiana Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System v. Pyott*, --- A.3d ---, 2012 WL 2087205 (Del.Ch. 2012); *Forsythe v. ESC Fund Management Co.*, 2012 WL 1655538 (Del.Ch. 2012); *Creative Montessori Learning Centers v. Ashford Gear LLC*, 662 F.3d 913, (7<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2011); *In re Sauer-Danfoss Inc. Shareholders Litigation*, 2011 WL 2519210 (Del.Ch. 2011); *Thorogood v. Sears, Roebuck and Co.*, 627 F.3d 289 (7<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2010); *Ehrheart v. Verizon Wireless*, 609 F.3d 590 (3<sup>rd</sup> Cir. 2010); *In re Revlon, Inc. Shareholders Litigation*, 990 A.2d 940 (Del.Ch. 2010); *Lubin v. Farmers Group, Inc.*, 2009 WL 3682602 (Tex.App. 2009); *Westgate Ford Truck Sales, Inc. v. Ford Motor Co.*, 2007 WL 2269471 (Ohio App. 2007); *Acosta v. Trans Union, LLC*, 243 F.R.D. 377 (C.D.Cal. 2007); *Amalgamated Bank v. Yost*, 2005 WL 226117 (E.D.Pa. 2005); *Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of Cybergenics Corp. ex rel. Cybergenics Corp. v. Chinery*, 330 F.3d 548 (3<sup>rd</sup> Cir. 2003); *Fruchter v. Florida Progress Corp.*, 2002 WL 1558220, (Fl. App. 2002); *In re Microstrategy, Inc.*, 172 F.Supp.2d 778 (E.D.Va. 2001); *In re Cendant Corp. Litigation*, 264 F.3d 201 (3<sup>rd</sup> Cir. 2001); *Scardelletti v. Debarr*, 265 F.3d 195 (4<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2001); *In re Auction Houses Antitrust Litigation*, 197 F.R.D. 71 (S.D.N.Y. 2000); *Lealao v. Beneficial California, Inc.*, 82 Cal.App.4th 19, 97 Cal.Rptr.2d 797 (2000); *AUSA Life Ins. Co. v. Ernst and Young*, 206 F.3d 202 (2<sup>nd</sup> Cir. 2000); *Davis v. Carl Cannon Chevrolet-Olds, Inc.*, 182 F.3d 792 (11<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1999); *In re Baan Co. Securities Litigation*, 186 F.R.D. 214 D.D.C. 1999); *In re Quantum Health Resources, Inc.*, 962 F.Supp. 1254 (C.D. Cal. 1999); *Strong v. BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.*, 173 F.R.D. 167 (W.D.La. 1997); *Howard v. Globe Life Ins. Co.*, 973 F.Supp. 1412 (N.D.Fla. 1996); *Kamilewicz v. Bank of Boston Corp.*, 100 F.3d 1348 (7<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1996); *In re Asbestos Litigation*, 90 F.3d 963 (5<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1996); *General Motors Corp. v. Bloyed*, 916 S.W.2d 949 (Tex. 1996); *Brundidge v. Glendale Federal Bank, F.S.B.*, 168 Ill.2d 235, 659 N.E.2d 909, 213 Ill.Dec. 563 (1995); *In re Thirteen Appeals Arising Out of San Juan Dupont Plaza Hotel Fire Litigation*, 56 F.3d 295 (1<sup>st</sup> Cir. 1995); *In re General Motors Corp. Pick-Up Truck Fuel Tank Products Liability Litigation*, 55 F.3d 768 (3<sup>rd</sup> Cir. 1995); *BTZ, Inc. v. Great Northern Nekoosa Corp.*, 47 F.3d 463 (1<sup>st</sup> Cir. 1995); *Bell Atlantic Corp. v. Bolger*, 2 F.3d 1304 (3<sup>rd</sup> Cir. 1993); *In re Oracle Securities Litigation*, 829 F.Supp. 1176 (N.D. Ca. 1993); *Gottlieb v. Wiles*, 150 F.R.D. 174 (D.Colo. 1993); *Durr v. Intercounty Title Co. of Illinois*, 826 F.Supp. 259 (N.D.Ill. 1993); *qad. inc. v. ALN Associates, Inc.*, 807 F.Supp. 465 (N.D.Ill. 1992); *Wesley v. General Motors Acceptance Corp.*, 1992 WL 57948 (N.D.Ill. 1992); *In re Verifone Securities Litigation*, 784 F.Supp. 1471 (N.D.Cal. 1992); *Davis v. Coopers & Lybrand*, 1991 WL 154460 (N.D.Ill. 1991).

Eisenberg of Cornell University, have been cited by courts around the country and are a leading authority on that topic.<sup>7</sup>

7. I have participated extensively in derivative and class action litigation, both as an attorney and more recently as an expert consultant and expert witness on issues such as

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<sup>7</sup> See *In re Trans Union Corp. Privacy Litig.*, 629 F.3d 741, 744 (7th Cir. 2011); *Allapattah Servs., Inc. v. Exxon Corp.*, 362 F.3d 739, 760 (11th Cir. 2004) (Judges Tjoflat and Birch, dissenting from denial of en banc review); *In re Amaranth Natural Gas Commodities Litig.*, No. 07-6377, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 82599, at \*7 n.12 (S.D.N.Y. June 11, 2012); *Board of Trustees of AFTRA Ret. Fund v. JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.*, No. 09-686, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 79418, at \*5 n.12 (S.D.N.Y. June 7, 2012); *Lane v. Page*, No. 06-1071, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 74273, at \*161 (D.N.M. May 22, 2012); *Silverman v. Motorola, Inc.*, No. 07-4507, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 63477, at \*15 (N.D. Ill. May 7, 2012); *In re Heartland Payment Sys., Inc. Customer Data Sec. Breach Litig.*, MDL No. 09-2046, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 37326, at \*94, \*116 (S.D. Tex. Mar. 20, 2012) (“The tables included in the [Eisenberg and Miller] study are good indicators of what the market would pay for class counsel’s services because the tables show what attorneys have been paid in similar cases, and thus what class counsel could have expected when they decided to invest their resources in this case.”); *Walsh v. Popular, Inc.*, No. 09-1552, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 32991, at \*24 (D.P.R. Mar. 12, 2012); *Am. Int’l Group, Inc. v. Ace Ina Holdings, Inc.*, No. 07-2898, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 25265, at \*59 (N.D. Ill. Feb. 28, 2012); *Ebbert v. Nassau County*, 05-5445, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 150080, at \*41 (E.D.N.Y. Dec. 22, 2011); *In re Checking Account Overdraft Litig.*, 830 F. Supp. 2d 1330, 1336 n.4 (S.D. Fla. 2011); *Latorraca v. Centennial Techs., Inc.*, No. 97-10304, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 135435, at \*11 (D. Mass. Nov. 22, 2011); *In re Ky. Grilled Chicken Coupon Mktg. & Sales Litig.*, 2011 WL 5599129 (N.D. Ill. Nov. 16, 2011); *Pavlik v. FDIC*, No. 10-816, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 126016, at \*11 (N.D. Ill. Nov. 1, 2011); *In re Puerto Rican Cabotage Antitrust Litig.*, 815 F. Supp. 2d 448, 461 (D.P.R. 2011); *In re AT & T Mobility Wireless Data Servs. Sales Tax Litig.*, 792 F. Supp. 2d 1028, 1033 (N.D. Ill. 2011); *In re Vioxx Prods. Liab. Litig.*, 760 F. Supp. 2d 640, 652 (E.D. La. 2010); *Velez v. Novartis Pharms Corp.*, 04-09194, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 125945, at \*60-61 (S.D.N.Y. Nov. 30, 2010); *Braud v. Transport Serv. Co. of Illinois*, No. 05-1898, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 93433, at \*27-30 (E.D. La. Aug. 17, 2010); *In re Lawnmower Engine Horsepower Mktg. & Sales Prac. Litig.*, 733 F. Supp. 2d 997, 1013 (E.D. Wis. 2010); *Klein v. O’Neal, Inc.*, 705 F. Supp. 2d 632, 675 (N.D. Tex. 2010); *Fiala v. Metro. Life Ins. Co.*, 899 N.Y.S.2d 531, 541 (N.Y. Sup. Ct. 2010); *In re Mellife Demutualization Litig.*, 689 F. Supp. 2d 297, 359 (E.D.N.Y. 2010); *In re Marsh Erisa Litig.*, 265 F.R.D. 128, 149 (S.D.N.Y. 2010); *Strawn v. Farmers Ins. Co.*, 226 P.3d 86, 99 (Or. Ct. App. 2010); *Hall v. Children’s Place Retail Stores, Inc.*, 669 F. Supp. 2d 399, 403 n.35 (S.D.N.Y. 2009); *In re Trans Union Corp. Privacy Litig.*, No. 00-4729, 2009 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 116934, at \*22-25, \*39 (N.D. Ill. Dec. 9, 2009); *Loudermilk Serv., Inc. v. Marathon Petroleum Co. LLC*, 623 F. Supp. 2d 713, 724 (S.D. W.Va. 2009) (“Because the Eisenberg and Miller study was a far more comprehensive analysis of similar cases than this Court could hope to achieve in a reasonable time, the Court accepts their results as a benchmark on which to judge a reasonable fee in this case.”); *Rodriguez v. West Publ’g Co.*, 563 F.3d 948, 958 (9th Cir. 2009); *In re OCA, Inc. Sec. and Deriv. Litig.*, No. 05-2165, 2009 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 19210, at \*63-66 (E.D. La. Mar. 2, 2009); *In re Enron Corp. Secs., Deriv. & ERISA Litig.*, 586 F. Supp. 2d 732, 800 (S.D. Tex. 2008); *In re Cardinal Health Inc. Sec. Litig.*, 528 F. Supp. 2d 752, 755 n.2 (S.D. Ohio 2007); *In re Tyco Int’l, Ltd. Multidistrict Litig.*, 535 F. Supp. 2d 249, 269 (D.N.H. 2007); *Acosta v. Trans Union, LLC*, 243 F.R.D. 377, 388 (C.D. Cal. 2007); *Turner v. Murphy Oil USA, Inc.*, 472 F. Supp. 2d 830, 853, 862-64, 866, 870 (E.D. La. 2007) (“[T]he Court will look to Eisenberg and Miller’s data sets to determine an average percentage for cases of similar magnitude”); *Silberblatt v. Morgan Stanley*, 524 F. Supp. 2d 425, 435 n.6 (S.D.N.Y. 2007); *Fireside Bank v. Superior Court*, 155 P.3d 268, 281 n.7 (Cal. 2007); *In re Cabletron Sys., Inc. Sec. Litig.*, 239 F.R.D. 30, 38, 42 (D.N.H. 2006); *Allapattah Servs., Inc. v. Exxon Corp.*, 454 F. Supp. 2d 1185, 1209, 1211 (S.D. Fla. 2006); *In re Educ. Testing Serv. Praxis Principles of Learning and Teaching Grades 7-12 Litig.*, 447 F. Supp. 2d 612, 629-32 (E.D. La. 2006); *Hicks v. Morgan Stanley*, No. 01-10071, 2005 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 24890, at \*25 (S.D.N.Y. Oct. 24, 2005); *In re Lupron Mktg. and Sales Prac. Litig.*, 01-10861, 2005 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 17456, at \*18 (D. Mass. Aug. 17, 2005); *In re HPL Techs., Inc. Sec. Litig.*, 366 F.Supp.2d 912, 914 (N.D. Cal. 2005); *In re Relafen Antitrust Litig.*, 231 F.R.D. 52, 80-81 (D. Mass. 2005); *In re Relafen Antitrust Litig.*, 221 F.R.D. 260, 286 (D. Mass. 2004).

class counsel fees and the value of settlements. I recently served as expert legal consultant to British Petroleum in connection with the settlement of claims arising out of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill incident.

8. I am an expert in the field of banking law and regulation. My casebook, *The Law of Banking and Financial Institutions* (co-authored with Richard Scott Carnell and Jonathan R. Macey), now in its fourth edition, is widely recognized as a leading authority in the field. I am the author of several other books and many research articles on the topic of financial institution regulation, including a book on the financial crisis, *Risk, Trust, and Moral Hazard in Financial Markets*. I have been a visiting scholar at the Bank of Japan and the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, and am a member of the board of directors and the audit, ALCO, compensation and risk committees of State Farm Bank, a federally-chartered thrift institution with nearly \$15 billion in assets.

9. I have also taught and written extensively on the topic of legal ethics and the legal profession. In addition to regularly teaching the class in Professional Responsibility at NYU Law School, I have lectured on the topic at law firms and Practising Law Institute events. My publications on legal ethics topics are also listed in Appendix A to this declaration.

## **II. Summary of Opinions**

10. In my opinion, the Proposed Settlement provides no appreciable value to BOA or its current stockholders. The “governance reforms” do not add appreciably to the existing fundamental duties or accountability standards of directors of a Delaware corporation in mergers and acquisitions. The \$20 million cash payment from insurance

was apparently intended by Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel to cover attorneys' fees and expenses, not to provide any substantial value to BOA.

11. Further, in my opinion, the Proposed Settlement presents "red flags" of an improperly collusive "reverse auction." Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel and Defendants agreed to negotiate a non-monetary settlement in the face of vigorous litigation in the Delaware Action and a refusal by Co-Lead Counsel in the Delaware Action to consider such nominal value to settle. Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel lacked important information to evaluate the value of the claims and the Proposed Settlement, including expert reports and key witness discovery. The Defendants maintained from the outset of the negotiations that the derivative claims had no substantial value, and the "reforms" were apparently agreed with relative ease. No monetary component whatsoever was added to the Proposed Settlement until the end of the process, and the \$20 million amount was apparently intended, at least by Settling Plaintiffs' counsel, to cover their expected attorneys' fees. Co-Lead Counsel in the Delaware Action were excluded from the negotiations. Further, the participation by BOA's outside counsel in the exclusive negotiations, as the hotly contested litigation in the Delaware Action proceeded, implicates the concern for the potential of improper collusion to terminate properly initiated derivative actions which precipitated the rules established in *Zapata v. Maldonado*, 430 A.2d 779 (Del. 1981).

12. The Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel assert, based on the Expert Report of Professor Elizabeth A. Nowicki ("Nowicki Report"), that the "governance reforms" have value "likely in excess of hundreds of millions of dollars" to BOA. In my opinion, the Nowicki Report provides no reliable support for the Proposed Settlement.

### III. Opinions

#### A. The Reforms Provide No Appreciable Value to the Company or Stockholders

13. In my opinion, the “governance reforms” in the Proposed Settlement provide no appreciable value to BOA or its stockholders, because the “reforms” do not appreciably enhance existing director duties or heighten the standard of director accountability under Delaware law.
14. The derivative claims at issue (and the proposed reforms) arise in the context of fundamental board responsibility in mergers and acquisitions. In the merger context, Directors of Delaware corporations each already have fundamental authority and fiduciary responsibility. *Smith v VanGorkom* 488 A.2d 858, 873 (Del. 1985); *Sealy Mattress Co. of NJ* 532 A.2d 324, 1337 (Del. Ch. 1987). The fiduciary duties of directors in mergers and acquisitions are unrelenting and require directors affirmatively (not passively) to react and discharge their duties as circumstances develop after the merger agreement is announced. *Omnicare, Inc. v. NCH Healthcare, Inc.*, 818 A.2d 914, 938 (Del. 2003). This authority and responsibility includes providing complete disclosure to voting stockholders. *Malone v Brincat* 1722 A.2d 5, 10 (Del. 1988).
15. The centerpiece “reform” is a new board committee (“Corporate Development Committee”) to assist the board in mergers and acquisitions greater than \$2 billion for a four-year period. This appears to contemplate a subset of directors to liaison with management and report to the board concerning large mergers and acquisitions. There are no special expertise requirements or new director duties or accountability standards.
16. As I observe above, each BOA director already has fundamental authority and duties in mergers and acquisitions under Delaware law. The contrast between the



description of the CDC set forth in the “Corporate Governance Term Sheet” and the actual terms provided in the “[Draft] Corporate Development Committee Charter” illuminates the fact that the duties of each director already exist. The “Term Sheet” states that BOA will create a new committee “with responsibility for overseeing certain acquisition related activities of the Company for transactions valued at \$2 billion or more.” Corporate Governance Term Sheet, Exhibit A to the Stipulation of Settlement at pg. 1. The “[Draft] Charter” states that the CDC “is responsible *for assisting the Board of Directors ... in exercising oversight...*” Bank of America Corporation [Draft] Corporate Development Committee Charter, Corporate Governance Term Sheet, Exhibit A to the Stipulation of Settlement at pg. 3. (Emphasis added). The “[Draft] Charter” correctly recognizes that the authority and duties belong to the entire Board already.<sup>8</sup>

17. A new board committee was addressed in a settlement of derivative claims in *In re Caremark*, 698 A.2d 973 (Del Ch. 1997), the case which addressed director fiduciary duties of oversight concerning the day to day business operations of the Company. By contrast, the derivative claims here relate to matters of fundamental board authority and responsibility in mergers and acquisitions. The derivative claims against the Caremark directors related to the violations by company employees of federal and state laws applicable to health care providers which led to a government investigation and indictment of the company. The terms of the settlement of the derivative claims in *Caremark* included a new board committee to enact and monitor new compliance policies which were also part of the settlement. In reviewing the settlement consideration, the Court found the new policies and committee to be “positive consequences” of the

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<sup>8</sup> I note that Professor Nowicki’s opinion concerning the CDC appears to be based on the CDC description in the “Term Sheet” without reference to the actual terms in the “[Draft] Charter.”



litigation, but “very modest benefits.” 698 2d. at 972. The Court approved the settlement as adequate “given the weakness of the plaintiffs’ claims.” *Id.*

18. I also note that the Chairman, Chief Executive Officer at the heart of the derivative claims, Ken Lewis, as well as 11 other Director Defendants<sup>9</sup>, are no longer in the governance structure of BOA, following the Memorandum of Understanding with federal regulators in 2009. (Schwartz Dec. ¶¶338-340). Further, to the extent the CDC is envisioned to be a committee on which the full board will rely in decision-making in mergers and acquisitions, such a committee could in fact undermine full engagement and accountability of the full board. BOA does not have a controlling stockholder or majority of inside directors, circumstances in which a Board committee, in my opinion, could add protection against self-dealing insiders. *Compare Weinberger v. UOP Inc.*, 457 A.2d 701, 709 n. 7 (Del. 1983).

19. The “Disclosure Committee” Charter amendment reform, similarly, imposes no new duty or heightened accountability. The reform purportedly will require the existing “Disclosure Committee,” to review and consider the disclosures required in connection with the mergers and acquisitions covered by the CDC reform and to conduct semi-annual best practices reviews. This reform adds nothing to director duties or accountability. Under Delaware law, as observed above, all BOA directors already have fiduciary duties which include the requirement to disclose all material information within their control in connection with such transactions. Thus, to the extent such disclosures in connection with mergers and acquisitions are drafted by others, in my opinion, review of

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<sup>9</sup> “Director Defendants” means Kenneth D. Lewis, Charles K. Gifford, William Barnet, III, Frank P. Bramble, Sr., John T. Collins, Gary L. Countryman, Tommy R. Franks, Monica C. Lozano, Walter E. Massey, Thomas J. May, Patricia E. Mitchell, Thomas M. Ryan, O. Temple Sloan, Meredith R. Spangler, Robert L. Tillman and Jackie M. Ward

required disclosures for accuracy, completeness and timeliness logically inheres in the existing duties of each director under Delaware law. Moreover, the “Disclosure Committee” is not a Board committee, it is a committee of company employees and its function appears already to include review of BofA proxy statements and public presentations. (Schwartz Dec. ¶208). Thus, the reform adds no duty or accountability for disclosures.

20. The remaining two reforms are related to continuing director education concerning best practices and fiduciary duties and a requirement that the Chief Risk Officer or an equivalent attend each meeting of the Enterprise Risk Committee and that the Chief Compliance Officer attend such meetings at least twice per year. These “reforms”, in my opinion, fall into the “minimum requirement” category. They are, at best, very modestly additive to the governance of BOA.

21. A marked contrast exists between the reforms in the Proposed Settlement and the reform provisions in the SEC settlement. The SEC settlement included seven reforms. Each reform in the SEC settlement raises the bar above the requirements of existing law. (Schwartz Dec. ¶423-424.)

22. The cases cited by the Settling Parties<sup>10</sup> in support of the reforms in the Proposed Settlement which address claims concerning the directors’ responsibility of oversight of the company’s business operations and to ensure proper systems of control are in place, are inapposite here. (Dkt #746 at 35-39; Dkt #747 at 16-17.) Such claims are known as classic “*Caremark*” claims under Delaware law. In such a case, providing an added mechanism to assist the Board in monitoring the business operations of the Company can

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<sup>10</sup> “Settling Parties” means the Director Defendants, Hollywood Police Officers’ Retirement System and Louisiana Municipal Police Employees Retirement System

be additive. However, the present context involves fundamental existing authority and duty of directors in mergers and acquisitions, as explained above. Also, as noted above, even in *Caremark*, the Court found the reforms which included a new board committee to be “very modest” benefits.

**B. The Settlement Presents “Red Flags” Of An Improperly Collusive “Reverse Auction”**

23. In my opinion, the proposed Settlement presents “red flags” of an improperly collusive “reverse auction” in which Defendants pit the respective groups of Plaintiffs’ counsel against one another for the opportunity to secure a settlement at an optimal cost to Defendants. See John C. Coffee Jr., *Forum Selection Clauses and the Market for Settlements*, NYLJ, May 17, 2012,<sup>11</sup> (discussing the effect of parallel actions pending in the Delaware Court of Chancery and district courts that cause competition to see which plaintiffs firm can settle first, which ultimately requires the first “plaintiffs firm to offer to settle cheaply and the preconditions are thereby satisfied for the commencement of a ‘reverse auction’ under which the winner is generally the low bidder”). See also John C. Coffee, Jr. *Class Wars: The Dilemma of Mass Tort Class Actions*, 95 Colum. L. Rev 1343, 1370-72 (1995); Brief of Special Counsel at pp 4-17, *Scully v Nighthawk Radiology Holdings, Inc.* C.A. No. 5890-VCL.

24. In this case, Counsel for the Director Defendants offered each of the two groups of Plaintiffs’ counsel to negotiate a non-monetary settlement of all of the derivative claims, before deposition discovery had begun. (Schwartz Dec. ¶¶341-344). Defendants knew that the two groups had chasmal differences in vigor and value requirements for a settlement. (Schwartz Dec. ¶¶343, 345). The Co-Lead Counsel in the Delaware Action,

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<sup>11</sup> Available at: <http://www.newyorklawjournal.com/PubArticleNY.jsp?id=1202554035470&thepage=1>

who had made known their willingness to vigorously litigate the derivative fiduciary duty claims to trial, if necessary, rejected the proposition and maintained that the claims had substantial value and refused to limit a settlement demand to an amount within the \$500 million of available insurance coverage and refused not to pursue out-of-pocket contributions from the Director Defendants. (Schwartz Dec. ¶355). The Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel agreed to a subordinate role in discovery vis à vis Lead Counsel in the federal securities class action. (Schwartz Dec. ¶10). Trial in the Delaware Action was scheduled to commence in October 2012; and trial in the New York litigation was scheduled by this Court to follow the Delaware trial. (Schwartz Dec. ¶37, 85). With deposition discovery having not yet begun in the New York litigation, the Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel accepted Defendants' offer to negotiate a non-monetary settlement of the derivative claims and proceeded to negotiate. (Schwartz Dec. ¶345, 346). Although it appears that the Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel maintained that some monetary component would be necessary, the negotiation history evidences that the negotiators never contemplated a substantial amount and Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel were seeking an amount sufficient to cover attorneys' fees and expenses. (Schwartz Dec. ¶347, 399).

25. Defendants maintained from the outset and throughout the settlement discussions with Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel that the derivative claims had no substantial value. (Schwartz Dec. ¶348).

26. No monetary component whatsoever was added to the settlement discussions until the end of the process. (Schwartz Dec. ¶358). Given that Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel expressed their intent to seek \$13.6 million of the \$20 million cash component as fees and expenses for themselves, the cash component negotiation was apparently focused, at

least from the perspective of Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel, on an amount to cover the amount of fees and expenses they expected.

27. It is well-recognized that once adversaries in representative litigation reach a settlement agreement, their interests become aligned in supporting the settlement. *In re Bank of Am. Corp. Sec., Derivative, Empl. Ret. Income Sec. Act (ERISA) Litig.*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 67730, 21-22 (S.D.N.Y. May 14, 2012) ("Shareholders and the Court should closely scrutinize a proposed derivative settlement, because 'in seeking court approval of their settlement proposal, plaintiffs' attorneys and defendants' interests coalesce and mutual interest may result in mutual indulgence.'") *citing Kaplan v. Rand*, 192 F.3d 60, 67 (2d Cir. N.Y. 1999). In this case, the interests of Defendants and Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel become aligned in October 2011 when they agreed to proceed with a non-monetary settlement of the claims, in face of the substantial value position vigorously advanced by Co-Lead Counsel in the Delaware Action.

28. It appears that the Settling Parties agreed on the non-monetary reform terms with relative ease after a few discussions and exchanges of drafts. (Schwartz Dec. ¶¶345, 348, 349). A mediation with a private mediator was thereafter suggested by Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel to resolve the lack of agreement concerning the amount of the monetary component, which apparently was envisioned, at least by Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel, primarily to pay the fees and expenses of Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel. (Schwartz Dec. ¶353). Also, Defendants did not depose either of the Settling Plaintiffs, although they deposed the Plaintiffs in the Delaware Action. (Schwartz Dec. ¶16, 54). Further, the Settling Parties apparently agreed not to serve expert reports by the Court-ordered March 16, 2012 deadline. (Schwartz Dec. ¶22).

29. Co-Lead Counsel in the Delaware Action were excluded from the settlement negotiations. (Schwartz Dec. ¶¶351-358). By excluding Co-Lead Counsel in the Delaware Action from the settlement negotiations, the interests of the supposedly adverse negotiators were aligned and the negotiation was focused on a non-monetary settlement with a fund to pay attorneys' fees for Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel. At that point, there was no zealous advocate left on behalf of the substantial value of the derivative claims asserted by Co-Lead Counsel in the Delaware Action.
30. The Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel lacked important information to assess liability, damages and the value of the derivative claims, or whether the Director Defendants could withstand a judgment. When the Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel agreed to proceed with negotiations on the basis of a non-monetary settlement, deposition discovery had just begun. (Schwartz Dec. ¶¶346). When they agreed to the reform terms, key witnesses including Ken Lewis, had not yet been deposed. (Schwartz Dec. ¶10). The Settling Plaintiffs' Counsel apparently had no expert opinions to assess the value of the claims and reasonableness and adequacy of the Proposed Settlement, and apparently did not receive the 40 deposition transcripts from the Delaware Action until Defendants provided them until two days before the mediation. (Schwartz Dec. ¶ 405).
31. In my opinion, the settlement process in this case also implicates the governance concerns which were the underpinning of the Delaware Supreme Court ruling in *Zapata v Maldonado*, 430 A.2d 779 (Del. 1981). *Zapata* set the standard for judicial review where, as here, director defendants and the Company seek to terminate derivative claims brought by stockholders which have survived a Rule 23.1 motion. *Zapata* was motivated by the concern for the potential collusion by the Company and defendant directors to terminate

properly initiated derivative claims for reasons unrelated to the best interests of the Company and its stockholders, such as to avoid potential liability to fellow directors. *See Zapata*, 430 A.2d at 787 (“Situations could develop where such motions [to dismiss] could be filed after nearly three years of vigorous litigation for reasons unconnected with the merits of the lawsuit.”). In this case, after years of vigorous litigation of the derivative claims in the Delaware Action, outside counsel for BOA and Counsel to the Director Defendants co-operated to obtain termination of the derivative claims in exchange for no substantial consideration. (Schwartz Dec. ¶¶359-367). If the BOA Board believed in good faith that a negotiation of a non-monetary settlement was in the best interests of BOA and its current stockholders, *Zapata* provided a specific mechanism for the Board to seek a stay or dismissal of the Delaware Action. *See Carlton v. TLC Beatrice*. BOA did not follow this mechanism and did not seek a stay until the Proposed Settlement was signed and revealed. (Schwartz Dec. ¶¶378). In support of the stay, BOA’s outside counsel asserted that BOA signed the Proposed Settlement because it was in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders. (Schwartz Dec. ¶¶367). However, in a letter to this Court later, BOA’s outside counsel asserted, without explanation, that the Board had no involvement in approving the Proposed Settlement. (Schwartz Dec. ¶¶ 367). Further, BOA’s outside Counsel did not convey information concerning the ongoing negotiations to Plaintiffs or the Court in the Delaware Action until March 2012. (Schwartz Dec. ¶¶359).

32. In my opinion, a further “red flag” is the fact that after the Proposed Settlement terms were agreed in principle, BOA asserted, based in part on prior rulings by this Court, that the “vast majority” of the billions of dollars in damages sought by the federal



securities class were in fact damages suffered by BOA which could be recovered only through derivative claims. (Objection of Laborers National Pension Fund and Nancy Rothbaum To Final Approval of Proposed Settlement. pp. 39-44.) BOA thereafter agreed to pay \$2.43 billion to settle the class claims. (Schwartz Dec. ¶420). BOA has failed to explain how it is in the best interest of the company to fund the \$2.43 billion class settlement while leaving the D&O insurance policies essentially untouched or unclaimed against. *Id.*

### **C. The Nowicki Report Provides No Reliable Support For the Settlement**

33. I have reviewed the Nowicki Report. In my opinion, the Nowicki Report provides no reliable support for Professor Nowicki's opinions that the settlement consideration "is well within the range of appropriate settlements," that the "governance reforms" "are of significant value" or that the "governance reforms" "provides [sic] significant value to BAC and its shareholders likely in excess of hundreds of millions of dollars." Professor Nowicki provides no analysis of how the "governance reforms" add accountability to the existing governance of BOA under Delaware law or the federal securities laws.

34. The central basis of the opinions in the Nowicki Report is the general assertion that that "studies" show that greater accountability promotes better governance behavior. Even accepting this general proposition as correct, however, the Nowicki Report fails to identify any appreciable increase in "accountability" effected by the reforms. As I note above, in my opinion the reforms in the Proposed Settlement provide no appreciable increase in duties or accountability at BOA beyond the well-established duties and accountability already existing under Delaware law. Similarly, the Nowicki Report

includes no reliable evidence to support a valuation of the reforms in the amount of “many millions” or “likely in excess of hundreds of millions,” as concluded by the Nowicki Report. The writings cited by Professor Nowicki to support that proposition that a “premium” on stock value is attributable to companies with “good governance,” provide no helpful guidance to value the particular “governance reforms” at issue here. I was able to obtain some of the writings cited in but not filed with the Nowicki Report, including Deutsche Bank, *Beyond the Numbers, Materiality of Corporate Governance*, November 5, 2005; Felton, Hudnut, and van Heeckeren, *Putting a Value on Board Governance*, The McKinsey Quarterly, 1996 Number 4, at 170-175; *Global Investor Opinion Survey on Corporate Governance*, McKinsey & Company, June 2000; Gompers, Ishii and Metrick, *Corporate Governance and Equity Prices*, Quarterly Journal of Economics 118(1), February 2003; Brown and Caylor, *Corporate Governance and Firm Performance*, December 2004; Cheng & Wu, *Evolving Corporate Governance and Equity Prices* (2006); Hoyt & Liebenberg, *The Value of Enterprise Risk Management* (2009); and Standard & Poor’s, Global Credit Portal RatingsDirect, *North American and Bermudan Insurers Continue to Step Up Their Enterprise Risk Management Efforts* (May 2011). These writings involve statistical analyses to explore the relationship between certain financial metrics and certain aspects of corporate governance and stockholder rights in existing corporations, such as classified boards, director independence, poison pills and director term limits. None of the studies I reviewed addressed any of the reforms in the Proposed Settlement, with the possible exception of “director education” generally in the Brown/Caylor paper. In any event I discern no basis for utilizing these writings to value any particular governance term generally, much less the “governance

reforms” in the Proposed Settlement. Moreover, any such analysis ignores the damage to value of BOA caused by the Defendants’ wrongdoing in connection with the Merger. If Professor Nowicki’s general premise were correct that companies could add “hundreds of millions of dollars” to stockholder value with “governance reforms” such as those here, one would expect to see rampant adoption of such measures. I observe no discernible market uptick on the announcement of these “governance reforms.”

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Director, NYU Center for the Study of Central Banks and Financial Institutions (1994-present)  
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Chair, Academic Personnel Committee (1999-2000; 2004-2006)  
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University of Chicago Law School (1983-1995)  
Kirkland & Ellis Professor (1989-1995)  
Editor, Journal of Legal Studies (1989-1995)  
Director, Program in Law and Economics (1994-1995)  
Director, Legal Theory Workshop (1989-1993)  
Associate Dean (1987-1989)  
Professor of Law (1987-1989)  
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Visiting Lecturer, University of Frankfurt, 2013 (invited)  
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Visiting Lecturer, University of Genoa Department of Law, 2011  
Visiting Scholar, European University Institute, Florence Italy, Fall/Winter 2010  
Visiting Chair on Private Actors and Globalisation, Hague Institute for the Internationalisation of Law, Fall/Winter 2010  
Robert B. and Candace J. Haas Visiting Professor of Law, Harvard Law School, Fall 2009  
Max Schmidheiny Guest Professor, University of St. Gallen, Switzerland Summer 2009  
Faculty Member, NYU-NUS in Singapore, 2009, 2011, 2013 (invited)  
Fresco Endowed Professor of Law, University of Genoa, Italy, Summer 2008, Spring 2009, Summer 2010  
Visiting Scholar, University of Minnesota Law School, Spring 2008

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Commerzbank Visiting Professor, Institute for Law & Finance, University of  
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Visiting Professor, Columbia Law School, Fall 2001  
Visiting Professor, University of Sydney, Australia, Summer 2002; Summer 2006;  
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Visiting Scholar, CentER for Economic Research, Tilburg, Holland, Summer 1996  
John M. Olin Visiting Scholar, Cornell University Law School, Summer 1992,  
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Clerk, Hon. Byron R. White  
Supreme Court of the United States (1979-80)

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Member of the Board of Directors, State Farm Bank (2010) – board and committee service for  
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Editor-in-Chief, Columbia Law Review (1977-78)  
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Major Lectures

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A Simple Theory of Takeover Regulation in the United States and Europe; Intellectual Hazard (Commerzbank Lectures, University of Frankfurt, May 2010)

The European Union's Takeover Directive and Its Implementation in Italy (University of Rome III, 2008)

Catastrophic Financial Failures: Enron, HIH and More (Ross Parsons Lecture, Sydney, Australia, 2002)

Das Kapital: Solvency Regulation of the American Business Enterprise (Coase Lecture, University of Chicago Law School, 1993)

Banking in the Theory of Finance; The Simple Economics of Litigation and Settlement; The Economic Structure of Corporation Law (University of Auckland, New Zealand, 1993)

#### Journal Referee Reports

American Law and Economics Review  
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#### Conferences Organized

Fifth Annual NYU Global Economic Policy Forum (New York, New York, November 12, 2012) (co-organizer)

Tackling Systemic Risk: 2nd Annual Law & Banking/Finance Conference (Zurich, Switzerland, April 20-21 2012) (co-organizer with Prof. Gerard Hertig, ETH Zurich)

Judicial Dialogue on Mass Litigation, Florence Italy, October 15-16, 2010 (co-organizer of conference co-sponsored by NYU Law School, the American Law Institute, and the European University Institute)

Banking and Finance: 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Law and Banking/Finance Conference (Florence, Italy, April 15-16, 2011) (co-organizer with Prof. Gerard Hertig, ETH Zurich)

Finlawmetrics 2010: Central Banking, Regulation & Supervision after the Financial Crisis (co-sponsor and member of steering committee)

Finlawmetrics 2009: After The Big Bang: Reshaping Central Banking, Regulation and Supervision (Milan, Italy, Spring 2009) (co-sponsor and member of steering committee)

NYU Global Economic Policy Forum 2009: The Future of Regulation and Capital Markets (November 5, 2009) (co-organized with Professor Alan Rechtschaffen and with the NYU Law School Alumni Association)



Third Annual Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, Fall 2008) (co-organizer)

NYU Global Economic Policy Forum (April 14, 2007). Major conference on economic policy. Keynote address by Jean Claude Trichet, President of the European Central Bank; presentations by Tevi Troy, Deputy Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services; Kevin Warsh, Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; and Donald B. Marron, Jr., Senior Economic Advisor, President's Council of Economic Advisors. Co-organized with Professor Alan Rechtschaffen.

Second Annual Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (New York, New York, November 10-11, 2007). Major conference (425 participants) exploring all aspects of the empirical study of law. Co-organized with Jennifer Arlen, Bernard Black, Theodore Eisenberg and Michael Heise.

NYU Global Economic Policy Forum (April 11, 2007). Major conference on economic policy. Keynote address by Ben S. Bernanke, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; presentations by Stanley Druckenmiller, Founder of Dusquesne Capital, Tevi Troy, Domestic Policy Advisor for President George W. Bush, and Jeffrey Rosen, Vice Chair of Lazard. Co-organized with Professor Alan Rechtschaffen.

First Annual Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (Austin, Texas, October 2006). Major conference exploring all aspects of the empirical study of law. Co-organized with Jennifer Arlen, Bernard Black, Theodore Eisenberg and Michael Heise..

Conference on Legal Aspects of the International Activities of Central Banks, Lima Peru, October 1997. This conference, co-sponsored by the central bank of Peru, brought together leaders in the legal and economic issues facing central banks in the management of their external reserves.

Conference on the Governance of Institutional Investors (New York, New York, February 14, 1997). This conference, sponsored by the NYU Stern School of Business Salomon Center in association with the New York University Law School Center for the Study of Central Banks, brought together top executives, attorneys, scholars and others interested in the management and organization, both economic and legal, of the nation's large institutional investors, including its mutual fund industry.

Conference on Bank Mergers and Acquisitions (New York, New York, October 11, 1996). This conference, sponsored by the NYU Stern School of Business Salomon Center in association with the New York University Law School's Center for the Study of Central Banks, brought together leading academics, lawyers, and investment bankers to discuss some of the broader implications of bank mergers and acquisitions. Co-organizer of this conference was Professor Yakov Amihud of the Stern School's Finance Department.

Conference in Central Banks in Latin America (Bogota, Colombia, February, 1996). This conference, co-sponsored by the central bank of Colombia with technical assistance from the Legal Affairs Department of the International Monetary Fund, brought together leaders of Latin

American central banks, the international financial community, and scholars from a variety of disciplines, to discuss issues related to the independence of central banks and economic development.

Conference on Central Banks in Asia (Shanghai, China, October, 1995). This conference, co-sponsored with KPMG-Peat Marwick, brought together leaders from commercial banks, investment banks, and industrial firms, as well as central bankers, to discuss Asian central banks to address issues such as the proposed law granting a degree of independence to the central bank of China.

Conference on Ancient Law (Berkeley, California, March 1995). This conference, organized with Professors James Lindgren of Chicago-Kent Law School and Laurent Mayali of the University of California at Berkeley Law School, brought together important figures from a variety of disciplines interested in Ancient Law.

Conference on Central Banks in Eastern Europe and the Newly Independent States (Chicago, Illinois, April 1994). This conference brought together the Prime Minister of Estonia, three present or former Ministers of Finance of Eastern European states (including Boris Fyoderov, former Finance Minister of the Russian Republic), the heads of the central banks of eleven nations in Eastern Europe and the Newly Independent States, together with a wide variety of highly-placed officials from these countries and from the west, to discuss issues related to the independence of central banks and economic development.

#### Professional Memberships and Positions

New York State Bar  
District of Columbia Bar  
American Bar Association  
American Law Institute (1988-1996)  
Member, Paolo Baffi Centre Scientific Advisory Board, Milan, Italy (2008- present)  
Member, International Academic Council, University of St. Gallen,  
Switzerland (2004-present)  
Chairman, Section on Business Associations, American Association of Law  
Schools (1995)  
Member of the Board of Directors, American Law and Economics Association  
(1995-1998)  
Member of the Foreign Advisory Committee, Latin American Law and  
Economics Association (1995-2000)  
Member of the Foreign Advisory Board, Universidad Torcuato Di Tella School of Law,  
Buenos Aires, Argentina (1992-1999)  
Member of the Editorial Board, Supreme Court Economic Review  
Member of the Editorial Board, The Independent Review  
Member of the Advisory Board, Yearbook of International Financial and  
Economic Law  
Member of the Advisory Board, University of Hong Kong Faculty of Law Asian Institute  
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Member of the Advisory Board, LSN Comparative Law Abstracts

#### Courses

Legal Profession (1985-93; 1996-98; 2003-2007; 2013 (scheduled))  
The Crisis of 2008 (2009, 2010)  
Reading Class: Restructuring Finance (2009)  
Property (1986-87)  
Corporations (1985-88; 1991-93; 1997-2000; 2005; 2008; 2012)  
Seminar on Separation of Powers (1985, 1987)  
Civil Procedure (1983-84; 2004-2005; 2011)  
Federal Regulation of Banking (1983, 1989-93; 1995-97; 2003, 2006-2010; 2012)  
Law and Business of Banking (2012; with Gerald Rosenfeld)  
Land Development (1984-85)  
Securities Law (1990-91)  
Workshop in Legal Theory (1989-91)  
Seminar on Financial Institutions (1992-93 (with Merton Miller); 1996-97)  
Ethics in Class Action Practice (Continuing Legal Education Seminar 2002-2005)  
Law and Economics (University of Basel, Switzerland 2005, 2007, 2008; 2009; 2010; 2011; 2012)  
Advanced Seminar on Law and Economics (University of Genoa, Italy 2008)  
Banking and the Financial Crisis (University of Genoa, Italy 2009)  
Trust, Risk, and Moral Hazard in Financial Markets (University of Genoa, Italy, 2010)  
International Banking (University of Sydney, Australia, 2002, 2006)  
Introduction to Banking Law (University of Basel, Switzerland 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2009, 2010; 2011; 2012)  
Banking in the Theory of Finance (University of Frankfurt, Germany 2004, 2005)  
Banking Regulation in Crisis (University of Frankfurt, Germany, 2010)  
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#### Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution

Brief and Reply Brief for Plaintiff-Appellant, Glancy v. Taubman Centers, Inc. No. 03-1609 (6<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2003).

Amicus Brief for American Bankers Association, et al., In Re: Visa Check/Mastermoney Antitrust Litigation, 280 F.3d 124 (2d Cir. 2001) (of counsel)

Briefed and argued Moran v. Household Finance Corp. (the "Poison Pill" case) in the Supreme Court of Delaware (1985)

Briefed cases in the U.S. Supreme Court, U.S. Court of Appeals, U.S. District Courts, and state trial and appellate courts. Conducted depositions and other pretrial discovery. (1982-1983)

Briefed and argued Hodges v. Metts, 676 F.2d 1133 (6th Cir. 1982), on behalf of the United States.

Conducted trial of American Psychological Association v. Birch Tree Press, et al. (U.S. District Court, Washington, D.C. 1983).

Deposit Insurance for Thailand. Prepared a draft deposit insurance law for Thailand, at the request of the International Monetary Fund (1999)

Schatz v. Blanchard. Neutral arbitrator in a commercial arbitration (2000)

Expert Witness Testimony (past five years)

Lasker v. Kanas (North Fork Bancorporation Litigation), Index No. 06/103557, Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York (2007) (affidavit on fees)

John Hancock Life Insurance Co. v. Goldman, Sachs & Co., No. 01-10729-RWZ, United States District Court, District of Massachusetts (2007) (declaration on fees)

Comes v. Microsoft Corp., No. CL8211, Iowa District Court for Polk County (2007) (affidavit on merits relief and affidavit on fees)

Figueroa v. Sharper Image Co., Case No.: 05-21251, United States District Court, Southern District of Florida (2007) (declaration and testimony on coupon relief).

Love v. Blue Cross & Blue Shield Association, et al., No. 03-21296-CIV-MORENO/SIMONTON, United States District Court, Southern District of Florida (2007) (declaration in opposition to settlement)

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In Re: 2007 Wildfire Class Litigation, Master Case No. 2008-00093086, Superior Court of California, County of San Diego (2009) (affidavit and deposition on certification)

In re: Columbia Hospital for Women Medical Center, Inc., Case No. 09-00010 (Teel, J.), United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Columbia (declaration on fees) (2009)

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In re MoneyGram International, Inc. Securities Litigation, No. 08-883 (DSD/JJG), United States District Court, District of Minnesota (2010) (declaration on fees)

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In Re Puerto Rican Cabotage Antitrust Litigation MDL Docket No. 3:08-md-1960 (DRD), United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico (2010) (declaration on fees)

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Freudenberg v. eTrade Financial Corporation, Case No.: 07-CV-8538, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (2012) (declaration on fees)

LaCour v. Whitney Bank, Case No. 8:11-cv-1896-VMC-MAP (United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida (2012) (declaration on settlement and fees)

In re Checking Account Overdraft Litigation, Case No.: 1:09-MD-02036-JLK, United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida (2012) (Union Bank case; declaration on fees)

In re Checking Account Overdraft Litigation, Case No.: 1:09-MD-02036-JLK, United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida (2012) (Bank of the West case; declaration on fairness of settlement and fees)

#### Other Activities

Member, Board of Directors, American Law and Economics Association (1996-1999)

Member, Board of Advisors, The Independent Review (1996-present)

Member, Board of Advisors, Asian Institute of International Financial Law (2001-present)

Member, Editorial Advisory Board, Supreme Court Economic Review (1995-present)

Member, Editorial Advisory Board, The Brookings-Wharton Papers on Financial Policy (1997-present)

President, Section on Financial Institutions and Consumer Financial Services, American Association of Law Schools (1999)

President, Section on Business Associations, American Association of Law Schools (1995)

Member, Board of Contributors, American Bar Association Preview of Supreme Court Cases (1985-1993)

Consultant, Administrative Conference of the United States (1988-89; 1991-1992)

Board of Directors and Volunteer Listener, D.C. Hotline (1980-83)



Awards

1992 Paul M. Bator Award for Excellence in Teaching, Scholarship and Public Service, from the Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies

Languages

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Shorter Works

Defusing The Banks' Financial Time Bomb: Without Tough Reforms, Writes Robert Pozen, We'll Probably Face An Ugly Repeat of Recent History (Business Week, March 11, 2010)

Why Interstate Banking is in the National Interest, Testimony Before the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions Supervision, Regulation and Deposit Insurance of the House Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs (September 29, 1993)

Challenging the Concept of the Common Law as a Closed System, Columbia Law School Report, Autumn, 1993 (with Norman Silber)

The Insurance Industry's Antitrust Exemption: A Longstanding Tradition Faces its Greatest Challenge, 1992-93 ABA Preview of Supreme Court Cases 198 (1993)

Shootout at the Escheat Corral, 1992-93 ABA Preview of Supreme Court Cases (1993)

Choices and Chances for Consumers, Legal Times, Oct. 12, 1992, at 29-30.

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